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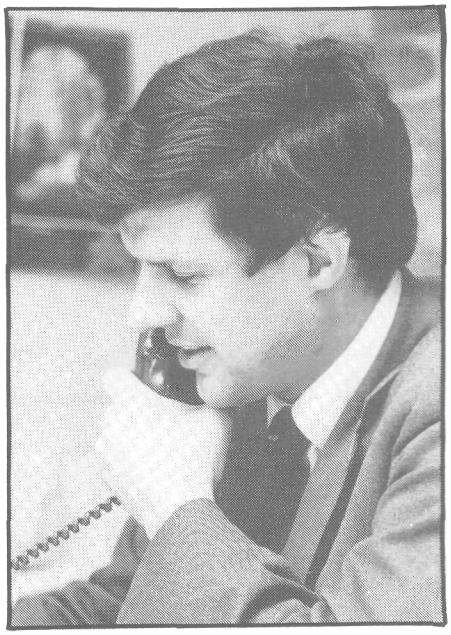

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In 1981 he returned to Oxfordshire as Manager of the Commercial Department of the Banbury office of Buckell and Ballard. In November 1984 Bankier Sloan was established specialising in retail, commercial and industrial premises. He first practiced in a small office in Deddington and in June 1986 moved to premises at 5 High Street, Banbury.

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EDITORIAL

Although this is the first issue of The Deddington News to come out in 1989, the new year is already well advanced. Pretty soon we will be on the threshhold of the last decade of the 20th century. 2001 is only a dozen years away.

Time flies and times change. Through the sale of village land, the Parish Council now has the funds to help the Parish help itself. We are sure that the capital will be invested wisely and prudently to give a substantial sum each year. The question is how to use this for the greatest good.

Ultimately, financial control must rest with the Parish Council. That is their legal duty and moral responsibility. No doubt parishioners will bear this in mind when it comes to next year's parish elections.

Meanwhile the Parish Council is giving considerable and considered thought to how to manage the funds. We think it is crucially important for a wide cross-section of the community to be involved - not through representatives of any particular interests or organisations, but through people of judgement and integrity who are sensitive to the needs of the whole community. We believe there are such people in Deddington, Clifton and Hempton. Their knowledge, experience, independence and public spirit should be built in to advisory and decision-making systems for managing the money. We look forward to the Parish Council's proposal for doing just that.

DIARY

February

Wed 8	Ash Wednesday, Parish Church Holy Communion, 10 am and 8 pm.
Fri 10	Valentine's Dance, HSA, Windmill Centre, £7.50 per couple.
Tue 14	WI meeting, Speaker - James Marmion on his visit to Chine, HTC, 7.30 pm.
Th 16	Scout/Cub support group meeting, Windmill Centre, 7.45 pm.
13-17	School half term.
Tue 21	DEDDINGTON NEWS COPY DATE
Wed 22	Parish Council Meeting, Town Hall, 7.15 pm.
Th 23	Playground Meeting, Playgroup Hut, 8 pm.
Sat 25	Playgroup Stall, Market Place, morning.

March

Fri 3	Women's World Day of Prayer, Parish Church, 2 pm.
Sat 4	DEDDINGTON NEWS PUBLICATION DAY.
Tue 7	Lions Club Concert, Wykeham Hall, Banbury School.
Sun 12	HSA Spring Crafts Fayre, Primary School, 11.30 am - 4 pm.
Sun 12	Meeting to discuss formation of Gardens Club, Russell Hotel, 6 pm.
Sat 18	Oxfordshire Architectural & Historical Society touring Deddington, pm.
20-31	School Easter holiday.
Wed 22	Parish Council Meeting, Town Hall, 7.15 pm.
Sun 26	Easter Day. Summer Time begins.
Tue 28	DEDDINGTON NEWS COPY DATE

April

Sat 8	DEDDINGTON NEWS PUBLICATION DAY
Tue 25	DEDDINGTON NEWS COPY DATE
Wed 26	Parish Council Meeting, Town Hall, 7.15 pm.

DONATION We acknowledge with thanks a donation of £10 to Deddington News funds.

WELCOME to Jose Stevens, new Parish Councillor and Leonard Walkerdine, new Parish Clerk, also to Christine Blythe (in charge of collating) and Roy Berridge (in charge of duplicating) for The News.

D E D D I N G T O N P A R I S H C O U N C I L

SUMMARY OF MEETING ON 14 DECEMBER 1988

By-elections Mrs Jose Stevens won the by-election for the vacancy caused by Cllr Garrett's retirement. The vote was 346 to 182, with 3 papers void and 1 spoilt. The CDC vacancy arising from the death of Cllr Clifton was filled by Cllr Mathews, who is now County Councillor for Deddington.

Dog fouling By-laws have been confirmed and a dog warden appointed by CDC. /See also page 6 - EDS/

Planning PC no objection to replacement of garage roof at The Bungalow, Hempton (Cllr O'Neill declared interest) and extension to Tithe Cottage, Clifton.

Accounts Major item passed for payment was £1673.59 to CDC for loan repayment. Authority was not given to pay a bill for some £1400 from Hansford Durley, structural engineers for the Windmill Centre, because PC not satisfied with progress on resolving contentious issues.

Windmill Development Scouts and Guides leaders, the Cricket and Bowls Clubs, the Windmill Centre Committee, Rosemary Herring and others, continued to express concern about the building/use of land/management of funds from sale of the land. PC is keeping a close watch on all these to ensure proper consultation, integrated planning and sensible decisions, some of which will have to be made ad hoc. Mr Rose, the Council's solicitor, will be asked to attend a future PC meeting to advise on setting up and running a Charitable Trust or other appropriate broad-based organisation. Priority must be given to clearing the loan. The Women's Institute request for a bus token concession for OAPs would receive early and sympathetic consideration.

SUMMARY OF MEETING ON 25 JANUARY 1989

Castle Grounds Iron gates, fences, barbed wire, road surface and scrub all to receive attention. Ownership of approach road is still unclear. PC to pursue.

Playing field, Clifton Formalities almost completed on Donald Welford's gift of land. Councillors to visit site and decide on tree planting etc.

Parking Cllr Hayward and others to study Deddington's parking problems - blocked access, interference to traffic, damaged footpaths etc - and report back.

Road cleaning Clerk to write strong letter to OCC about their failure to honour regular commitment to keep the village roads clean.

Planning PC no objection to barn conversion on Milton Road: cottage extension in Philcote Street: two dwellings and office developed from Coniston House: conversion of Tithe Cottage, Clifton: development of cottage in Featherton House grounds (Cllr Gabb declared interest): change of use of The Cottage Loaf to become part of Philip Allen's publishing business (though loss of a residential unit was regretted). Advice will be sought on proposed street lighting plan for the Benfield development.

1989 Precept PC to bid for same as the current year, plus a higher contingency percentage and minus interest on the Windmill loan (see 'Trust Money' below).

Accounts Major items passed for payment included approx £1800 to Andrew Barnes for consultancy fees - this sum to be reclaimed from Mr Wallacher: £984 loan repayment to CDC: £600+ to Electricity Board for lighting and maintenance: and £1437.60 payable (on solicitor's advice) to Hansford Durley, structural engineers, in respect of the Windmill Centre.

'Trust Money' Applications for funds from the interest on money received for last year's sale of land (UNTIL THERE IS A PROPER STRUCTURE AND OFFICIAL NAME FOR IT, WE WILL CALL IT 'TRUST MONEY' - EDS/ have come from HSA, Windmill Committee, and Rosemary Herring (for a children's playground). The Joint Consultative Committee meets on 2 February to discuss the Windmill Centre priorities. Work is still in progress on the best system for managing the money, Meanwhile PC has made two immediate decisions (1) pay off the interest on the Windmill loan (2) purchase £2000 of bus tokens for concensions to senior citizens.

AT THE END OF THE MEETING, THE COUNCIL WENT INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS LEGAL MATTERS.

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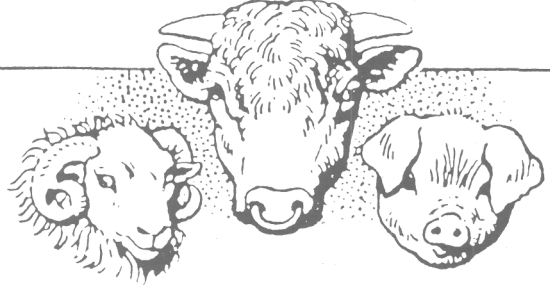

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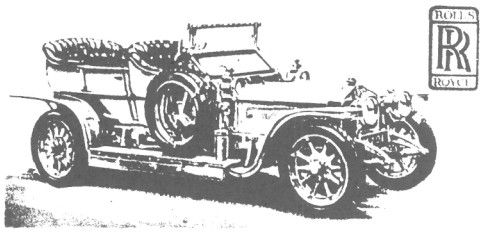

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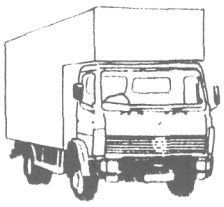

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DEDDINGTON PARISH CHURCH

5 and 19 February	10.30 am Parish Communion
12 and 26 February	8 am and 10.30 am Matins
8 February, Ash Wednesday	Holy Communion 10 am and 8 pm with hymns

HEMPTON CHURCH (see also page 4)

5 and 19 February	9 am Holy Communion
26 February	6 pm Evensong

Hempton Church is certainly reviving. At Evensong on 22 January there were over 50 present, filling the church and showing that it was a worthwhile event. I think only three of these came from Deddington, all the rest were Hempton residents. There are three stages in conversion: (1) in the heart; (2) in the head; (3) in the purse or pocket. We will pursue all these stages, not necessarily all at the same time.

OBITUARY

We look back on a sudden increase in the number of funerals. LILIAN VON VERSEN had lived here for 40 years or more, in New Street and latterly in Horsefair. FRANK DRINKWATER had lived here all his life, working as a carpenter and joiner. FLORRIE HIORNS had lived in New Street since her marriage over 50 years ago. ELIZABETH STILGOE came to live in the Market place only nine years ago. There have been Stilgoes in Deddington, on and off, for the last 300 years and more, so in a good sense she was coming home when she arrived here. She had been a Lieutenant Colonel in the ATS, and held her tall, upright figure, her brisk pace and her authoritative voice to the end. I commend the hymn we sang at her funeral, "The Strife is o'er, the battle done".

RICHARD HANNAH 38329

MOTHERS UNION

Our first meeting of 1989 was in church on 15 January when the Vicar commissioned Jean Ward as Enrolling Member of Deddington Mothers Union. On 26 January a group of us attended the Deanery Supper and met the new Diocesan MU President. On 2 February the branch met at the home of Debbie Welford to watch a video of the Diocesan Pageant of July 1988.

Our next branch meeting will be transferred to Friday 3 March when we shall join the parish in the Womens' World Day of Prayer which will be in the Parish Church at 2 pm. As we commence a New Year, we invite anyone new, or not so new, in the village to join us in our MU meetings as we seek to 'be concerned with all that strengthens and preserves marriage and Christian family life'.

JEAN WARD 810723

DEDDINGTON FIRE SERVICE

Fire calls 1988 In December 1988 we received 21 calls, which were 4 chimney fires, 3 road traffic accidents, 1 bedroom fire, 4 car fires, 1 call to electricity wires on fire inside the front porch of a house, 1 garden shed on fire, 1 electricity pole and overhead cables on fire, 1 call to petrol smell in farmhouse cellar, 4 false alarms on automatic systems and 1 call to stand by at Bicester Fire Station. This brings the total number of calls for 1988 to 187, which is 50 below our yearly average.

Fire calls 1989 This year started off very quietly, with only 11 calls received so far: 3 chimney fires, 1 roof fire, 1 car fire, 1 rubbish bin on fire in the Nurses' Hostel at Horton General Hospital, 4 false alarms with good intent, and 1 false alarm on an automatic system.

ALBERT HUMPHRIES 38943

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The latest news is that Weight Restriction signs should be in place by the end of February. We'll believe it when we see it - EDS.

CONTACTS LIST No room in this issue but this will give clubs and organisations another chance to let the Editors have the name/tel.no. of their Secretary or, Contact - by 21 Feb. please.

DEDDINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

New families and children At the beginning of this term, we welcomed two complete new families to school : Niels, Daniel and Owen van Gijn, who have come to us from Kuala Lumpar, Malaysia, and Richard and Mark Lacey who have come from Slough, Buckinghamshire. We also welcome five new Infant children : Amy Ladbrook, Claire Hope, Matthew Bliss, Robert Targett and Martine Cross.

Staffing Mrs Monk is away this term, working at Westminster College, Oxford on the National Primary Schools Project. Mrs Labuda has moved to Mrs Monk's class, full-time, for the term, and Mrs Cynthia Miller from North Newington has come to share responsibility for the Upper Junior class, with me.

School Clubs We are now running nine lunchtime and after-school clubs ! We have two recorder clubs, one for beginners and one for recorder consort, also music, football, craft, drama, video, chess and netball. Miss Taylor's video club members have been learning how to make television programmes (i.e. script, editing, interviewing, etc). As part of their club work, they are going to Westminster College for a day, in February, to use the College's very sophisticated equipment, to make a film about our village library.

Lace Craft Group We are glad to be able to welcome a new group to school, studying the craft of lace making, and following in the 'footsteps' of the Tuesday General Crafts Group. The new group meets every Thursday afternoon during term-time, in the Staff and Community Room, between 1 pm and 3.30 pm. Further information from Jean Perrie 38655.

Contacts with other Primary Schools We are about to make contacts with other local schools in our work together. The younger children are going to do some work with Christopher Rawlins School, Adderbury. The Lower Juniors are starting to make regular links with Dr Radcliffe's School, Steeple Aston, and the Upper Juniors are going to join in a study of Swalcliffe Barn, with Bloxham and Sibford Gower Primary Schools. This will help us to plan our work together, as we all head towards the new National Curriculum.

Lions Club Concert in March We are going to be taking part in a concert, in early March, with twenty-five other Primary and Secondary Schools from the North Oxon area. There will be four concerts altogether - we shall be in the first one, on 7 March. The concerts involve children from Infants, Juniors and Secondary departments. All the concerts are to be held at Wykham Hall, Banbury School. The children will be singing the cantata "Jerusalem Joy", plus various songs of their own choosing.

JOHN MORGAN 38430

NEWS FROM HEMPTON

Smashing Times Mid January saw the latest of a series of accidents in the "Gap". Apparently, in avoiding a lorry, two cars collided. According to one witness one of these cars then sped down St John's Way, the driver perhaps confused or tired and emotional, and flattened a concrete lamp standard. Perhaps someone can confirm or deny the details of this story. The light will shine again shortly.

On a more positive note, a large party of carol singers toured the Village just before Christmas and raised over £100.

The candle lit Carol Service saw St John's packed, the Parish Choir joining with the villagers in celebrating Christmas and sharing refreshments afterwards.

The regular 1st and 3rd Sunday 9 am Communion Services have seen increased congregations and the first evening service on 22 January was well supported, with between 45 and 50 people attending. Thanks are due to all those who have contributed in many ways to the renewal of activities in recent months.

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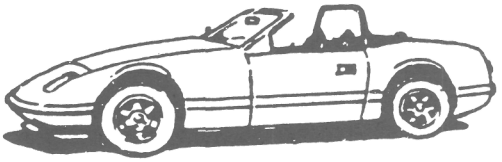

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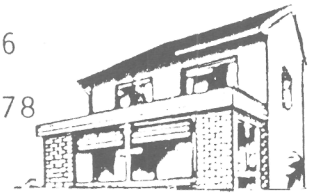

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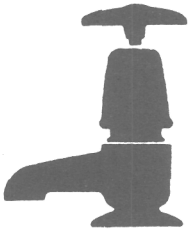

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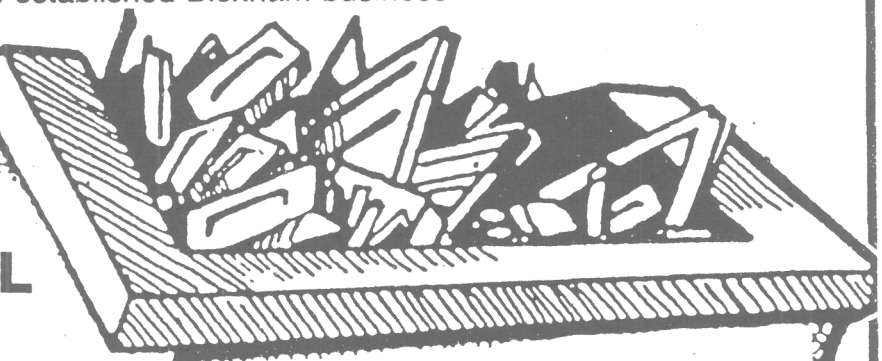

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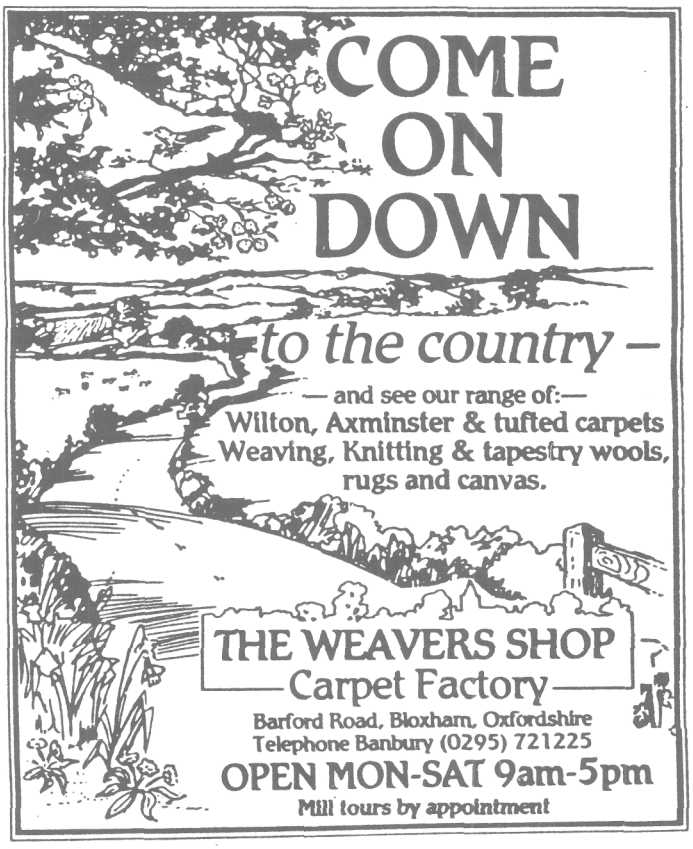

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A P P E A L

DEDDINGTON CHURCH BELLS DING-DONG DING-DONG DING-DONG DING-DONG !

Does no one in Deddington care if the Church bells stop ringing ? We have advertised and appealed for people to come forward and either learn to ring, or revise their ringing of long ago, to keep the bells ringing, but to no avail.

It was on 21 December 1986 that the bells were rededicated, after being repaired, retuned and rehung, and now there are only six of us to ring them on a Sunday morning. Friends have to be imported from neighbouring towers to ring for weddings, etc. but they all have to ring in their own tower for Sunday service.

This is the only time when we consider it a duty. To ring from 9.45 to 10.30 before morning service. Practices on a Monday are an extra, and a social occasion!

IF you think you would like to learn, or re-learn, please get in touch with Bill Ivings on Deddington 38513, or come along to a practice on a Monday night (7.30) and see what is involved. Neither strength nor super intelligence are needed. I ring - why not you ?

FREDA IVINGS 38513

A PLEA FOR HELP ..... A PLEA FOR HELP ..... A PLEA FOR HELP ...

Can we ask, is there anyone in the village who is interested in Deddington Cub and Scout Group ? We have a good group of over 30 boys who enjoy what they are doing but unless in the very near future we get help from some adults, the group will close. That, of course, will mean more young people wandering aimlessly around the village instead of being involved in some activity. We know that Scouting is not for every boy, but a lot of youngsters (and adults) get a great deal of pleasure from Scouting.

The Cub pack has already had to be suspended because the leader, Bob Scott, was not able to continue. Can you help us to re-open it ? Scouts also need help just to give the boys more of a challenge. Any adult who can help will get every assistance from Bob and myself but we must have a mum, dad or other adult to help. Cubs, aged 8 - 10½, meet on Thursdays 6 - 7.15 pm. Scouts, aged 10½ - 15, meet on Thursdays 7.30 - 9.15 pm.

Please, if you are interested in becoming a leader or willing to help on the support committee, come along to the Windmill Centre on Thursday 16 February 7.45 pm or phone Bob Scott on Deddington 38910 or me.

ALAN RAMPLEY 0295 810069

CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND FOR DEDDINGTON ?

Are you interested in getting a small enclosed playground for young children somewhere on the Windmill site ? Are you a parent or grandparent of children in Deddington or surrounding area and would like a say in the choice of safe play equipment ? If so, then come to a meeting at the Playgroup Hut on Thursday 23 February at 8 pm. For more information call Rosie Herring on Deddington 38760.

(THREE APPEALS OF GREAT MERIT, WE THINK. WILL OUR READERS RESPOND ? YES, WE ARE SURE THEY WILL. EDS) More appeals for help on pages 2 and 9.

A GARDENS CLUB FOR DEDDINGTON AND DISTRICT?

Outings to Kew, Cotswold Wildlife Park, see frost-free pottery being made, visits to Oxford Botanical Gardens, and others. Interested? Bring any house-plant for discussion/swap and plan outings; minibus.

First meeting, Russell Hotel, New Street, Deddington, 12 March (Sunday) 6-8 pm. All welcome. Back room reserved.

KEN WILKINSON

THE CHURCHYARD AND YOUR DOG

A widow has tears in her eyes because a dog has fouled the grave she cares for. A grass cutter in the summer swears (which he should not do in the churchyard). because he has trodden in the mess.

I cannot distinguish between one dog and another, between one owner and another In future, anyone with a dog, walking through the churchyard, will keep the dog on a lead and under control, and so prevent this fouling. A person who drops litter is a litter lout. A person who allows their dog to foul the churchyard is a lout, full stop.

The churchyard is an exceedingly beautiful spot. All of us must help to keep it this way.

RICHARD HANNAH

L E T T E R S

From B E W Mace, Bull Ring, Deddington, 23 January 1989

Like your other correspondents, we have become very conscious of change in Deddington, even in the six years that we have lived here: the loss of local shops, the distortion of property values, and perhaps rather poor communications have all contributed to this.

Although powerful financial and other factors will make it difficult to halt the slide from a pleasant and lively community to the 'honeycomb' society of a commuter suburb, some effort should perhaps be made. Adderbury, with somewhat similar problems, has an active and influential conservation society: I see that citizens in Banbury have established a 'Development Watch'.

Should some similar body be formed here? Was there not once a Deddington Society?

/SEEMS A GOOD IDEA TO US. WHAT DO OUR READERS THINK? - EDS/

From Joan and Walter Hayward, Castle Street, Deddington

We would like to thank the Deddington Ladies for the party they gave to the over 60s on 3 December 1988. We were warmly welcomed, we had a superb meal, after which we had delightful entertainment which caused good fun and lots of laughter. We think, like many more who went, that the Deddington Ladies worked very hard and did a first class job. Thank you Deddington Ladies. May we wish you good luck and happiness in 1989.

VISITORS WALKABOUT

Members of Oxfordshire Architectural and Historical Society are coming to Deddington on Sunday 18 March for an afternoon's conducted tour of the village. They will be met by Barbara Ritchie and Norman Stone, representing the Deddington Architectural and Historical Study Group. The Women's Institute have kindly offered to provide tea. There must be many local people willing to talk to the visitors about the village, its history and buildings. Would anyone interested in helping please contact Barbara Ritchie, Deddington 38238.

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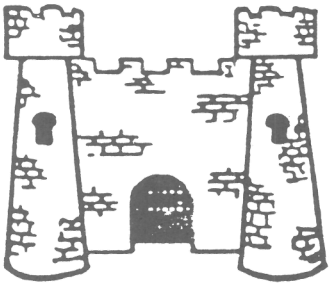

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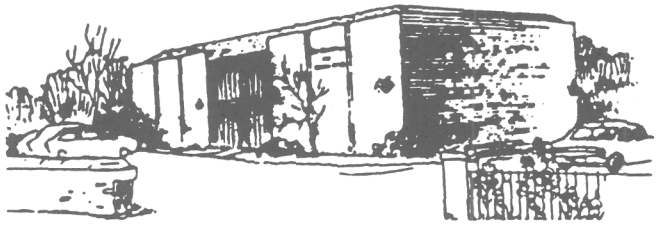

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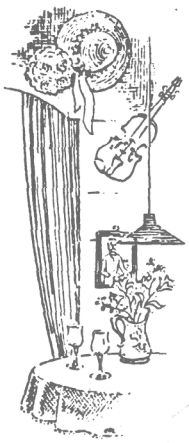

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THE WAY WE WERE

DEDDINGTON 150 YEARS AGO - Buffy Heywood chooses some more extracts from the diaries of the Rev Cotton Risley for the month of February 1839.

7 February - Attended a large meeting at The Red lion, Banbury, petitioning against the repeal of the present Corn Laws - agreed to get up petitions in every town and village.

8 February - Had another footman on trial for a month, if approved I was to give him 15 guineas per annum and two suits of livery.

12 February - Went around the town with Pritchett and Mr Davis to get signatures to the petition in favour of retaining the present system of corn laws in opposition to the anti corn law agitation party.

15 February - The bell tolled for poor Miss Priscilla Churchill - oh the shortness and uncertainty of life! Four individuals of one family summoned to their grave within 8 months.

18 February - Went to the Fox at North Aston to attend a Turnpike Meeting and also to hear an assault case.

19 February - Went to Oxford for County Meeting of Diocesan Board of Education. Followed by Corn Law meeting in the Town Hall, and a row between Gown and Town ensued.

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DEDDINGTON LADIES

At our Senior Citizens' party on 3 December a great time was had by all (including us). This is really just to say thank you to Mr Ledger for donating the wine; to our milkman, Bill Smith, who gave us the milk and cream; and to Andy Clarke for cooking and carving the turkey for us. Thanks also to Mrs D Harper and Mrs S French who donated £5 and a bottle of sherry. Your help was greatly appreciated. Thank you.

JACKIE ADKINS 38563

C A L L I N G A L L C L U B S Part 1

1st DEDDINGTON GUIDES

We spent a lot of time before Christmas preparing and rehearsing our Christmas entertainment. This was put on jointly with the Scouts - a variety show and pantomime - all very hectic - but we raised £28 from donations which we have sent to the Blue Peter Appeal and Rainbow Club. Thank you to everyone for their support. During the Christmas holidays at the Parish Carol Service Becky Bryant acted as sidesman and Rachel Hall read extremely well. Thank you to the Red Rose Patrol for producing the posters about the village carol singing. Sarah Brown enjoyed three full days with the handicapped children at the Rainbow playscheme. Well done Sarah.

This term we have been busy planning patrol time after Patrol Leader elections. We are going to take part in various international activities as the whole unit is going to try to get the Guide Friendship badge. Our team of Penny Harris, Helen Bond, Rachel Cheeseman and Gemma Amond did extremely well in the crime prevention quiz in Banbury, being narrowly beaten by a sixth form school team. Well done Rachel Hall and Jacqueline Nee who helped out two other guide teams who were oneguide short - much appreciated.

MAGGIE RAMPLEY Guider 0295 810069

SCOUT NEWS

Well, I was nearly right about the Panto, it was nearly alright on the night. I think that everyone who came along enjoyed themselves. The collection raised £28 which was split between the Banbury Rainbow Club and Blue Peter Appeal. For all their hard work the 'Players' do get part of their Scout award completed. The football players are still doing their best. They won't come in the top half of the league, but they all did very well against some very much older boys

We welcomed Sam Burdon and Simon Morris from Cubs and congratulate them on obtaining their Gold Arrow Awards. I hope that they will enjoy Scouts as much as they enjoyed Cubs. The Troop had a training evening on various types of cooking stoves. They made burners out of candles in the hope that they will be able to try out their cooking next week.

As you may have read elsewhere in the News, we need help badly. There will be a meeting at the Windmill Centre on Thursday 16 February at 7.45 pm to help form a support committee and to find new leaders. The Cub Pack is at present suspended because of lack of leaders. We hope to re-open soon with help.

ALAN RAMPLEY GSL 0295 810069

PLAYGROUP

Thank you so much to everyone who helped with the Playgroup Christmas Bazaar in so many different ways - donating, sewing baking, running stalls, selling raffle tickets and coming along with friends and relatives to join in the fun. Shirley Minnear won the prize for selling the most raffle tickets. The door prize was won by ticket number 28 - PLEASE CLAIM YOUR PRIZE (telephone Judy Duncan on Deddington 38946). Two extra tickets drawn were numbers 51 and 46, so please telephone if you have these numbers just in case! We will be holding a cake stall in the market place on Saturday, 25 February. Other fund raising events will include sponsored carrot top growing (the winning child will get a chocolate Easter Bunny) and the 100 Club - anyone interested please ring Shirley Minnear on Deddington 38224, or another Committee Member.

A big welcome to all the new children at Playgroup - Sarah Charig, Harriet Evans, Luke Garret, James Goymoor, David Pearson and Hannah Richards. We hope to arrange some coffee mornings for mums - keep an eye on the noticeboard at Playgroup.

KATHY WALKER 38657

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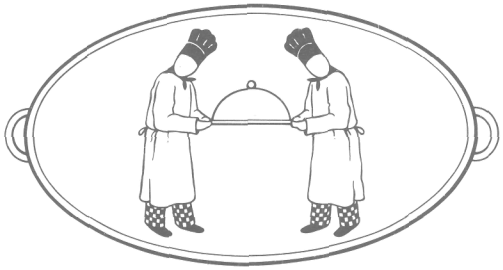

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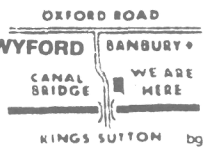

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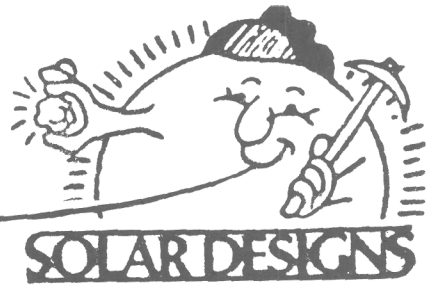

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C A L L I N G A L L C L U B S Part 2

DEDDINGTON BEECHES BOWLS CLUB

At the Annual General Meeting the following officers were elected for the 1989 season : Patron C F Fuller President F J Robins Life Vice President F Deely Vice Presidents A Basford M Spencer Hon Sec K Bowen Hon Treasurer G Todd Fixture Secretary E Smith OBA Rep R Stephenson Captain G Todd Vice Captain D Robinson

It was decided to accept the kind offer made by Mrs Jeanne Wales to present a cup to the club for competition. It was agreed to name the cup "The Rule Cup" in memory of her father, Sidney, who was a one time Deddington bowler. The cup will be a trophy for competition among members who have never previously won a cup since joining the club. It was felt this would be a fitting tribute to the late Sidney Rule who was always one to encourage new players. Our thanks to to Mrs Wales for this thoughtful gift. We hope her offer of a second cup is taken up by one of the other village organisations. /WE'RE STILL WAITING FOR OFFERS EDS/

Bob Stephenson, our groundsman, was thanked for his preparation of the green during the past season and for the work already completed in the close season. The Club has put his name forward for a Greenkeeper's course early in the new year. So beware, Bob, we will all be looking for playing conditions at least as good as those at Worthing in seasons to come !

It was agreed to make a formal approach to the Parish Council for the lease/licence of the area of land on the new playing field at the Windmill Centre already earmarked for a bowling green. The move from Earls Lane is not something which can take place overnight and a timetable of at least two years is envisaged due to the necessity to watch for possible land settlement and drainage problems following last summer's construction, the time it takes to construct a new bowling green and its need to mature before being played upon. We are indeed fortunate to have the continued use of our present green in the garden of our Vice President, Monty Spencer, and his wife Sue until such time as the new facility is available. The Club is particularly grateful to them for their support and generosity in this respect as the proposed move to the Windmill Centre is entirely at our instigation and not theirs, contrary to rumour. The plan is to have a first class bowling facility in the village, hopefully for the commencement of the 1991 season.

GEOFF TODD 38532

DEDDINGTON CRICKET CLUB

The 1989 season is fast approaching and Deddington Cricket Club warmly welcomes any and all prospective new members. Age is no barrier (as a glance at last year's slip cordon will confirm) and no previous experience is necessary just a goodly dose of enthusiasm! Coaching will be available during the year, starting with indoor nets for the next eight weeks or so at the Spiceball Centre in Banbury on Sundays at 10.30 am. Further information from Club Captain John Stiff 38176. Matches take place predominantly on Sunday afternoons (2.30 pm start) between May and September - mostly friendly games against other local village sides - and our home ground is at the Windmill Centre. The high spot of the season will be the Club weekend tour to Somerset in early June. Anyone interested in joining is invited to contact me or any committee member.

DAVID DUNCAN Secretary 38946

DEDDINGTON SINGERS

If you enjoy singing, why not come and join us? You will be made very welcome. We meet on Mondays, 7.30 pm at the Holly Tree Club. For details, ring I. Reynolds 38297.

THE BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY urgently needs more helpers for their house-to-house collection in Oxfordshire in May. Volunteers able to spare an hour or two should telephone Oxford 57377 and leave their name and address or phone no.

DEDDINGTON TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

Sponsorship We are delighted to report that, thanks to the generosity of the Oxford to Birmingham Roofing Ltd (i.e. Arthur Fairns) and Mr Eddie Charity, the Reserve Team are now sporting a new kit which matches that provided by Johnsons of Deddington for the First Team earlier in the season. We should like to record our thanks to Arthur and Eddie (both of whom are playing members) for putting something back into the Club and by the way, if anyone needs a roofing job the 'firm' comes highly recommended! (Phone Banbury 58298.)

Christmas Dinner For the first time for several years the Club held a Dinner at the Holcombe Hotel shortly before Christmas. A good time was had by all but what a pity that 'all' did not take advantage of the opportunity.

Results		1st XI			Reserves		
Dec	3	Midd Cheney Res	(A)	Lost 1-5	Halse United	(H)	Drew 2-2
	10	Wroxton Res	(H)	Won 6-2	Comrades	(A)	Lost 1-10
	17	Charlton	(A)	Drew 2-2	Midd Cheney Res (Cup)	(A)	Lost 1-4
	31	-			Brailes Res	(H)	Drew 3-3
Jan	7	B. Ichington	(A)	Lost 0-5	Sinclair Res	(H)	Lost 3-5
	14	Wroxton Res	(A)	Won 4-3	Dana Sports	(H)	Drew 2-2
	21	Broughton & NN R	(A)	Lost 1-2	Adderbury Res (Cup)	(H)	Won 4-2

220 Club
The present competition will end shortly and the Club Committee have decided that the new competition should be a '200' Club with the 'share' price increased from 30p to 40p (or £20 in one payment) but with a substantial increase in prize money (to £2000), and with the lower prizes increased from £17 and £6 to £20 and £10 respectively. We hope that our existing 'shareholders' will continue to support the Club and any new members wishing to join should 'phone Tony Gaw (38707) or contact any Club Member. (Results are on display at the British Legion.)

CLIFF SMITH 38647

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION
Remembrance Sunday 1988 The Officers and committee of the Deddington Branch would like to thank all organisations who joined in the parade and service on Remembrance Sunday, and congratulate them all on a very smart turn out. The parade was led by the band of the Banbury Scouts and Guides. They have been booked to attend for the parade and service in 1989. W HIRONS Branch President

Poppy Appeal 1988 The results of the local District Poppy Appeal is House-to-house Collection £682.54; Poppy Wreaths £97.60; Donations £155.00; Poppy Day Draw £30.00; Church Collection £130.74: GRAND TOTAL £1095.88. This is an increase of £83 on last year, so a very big thank you to all who gave so generously, and special thanks to the poppy collectors and all who had poppy trays on display within their premises. N D WEST Poppy Day Organiser

Service Work I am pleased to report that during 1988 39 ex-service personnel and widows have received coal and grocery cheques to the value of £40 each. I will be pleased to help any ex-service personnel or widows in the district who are in need of help. Please let me know. A T LEWIS Service Secretary

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STELLA MARMION 38834

WI RECIPE OF THE MONTH
Salmon Souffle - it's not complicated but must be eaten as soon as it comes out of the oven or it will sink. You need ½pt white sauce. Add to that 3 egg yolks and a tin of salmon or tuna (mashed) or 6ozs grated cheese. Cook until the egg yolks are well mixed in or the cheese dissolved. Add the 3 beaten egg whites to the mixture - gently. Pour into well greased Pyrex dish, allowing for souffle to rise several inches. Put in hot oven (200°C or Gas 6), bake for 45-50 mins. It should have well risen and look brown on top. Eat at once with green salad or tomatoes.

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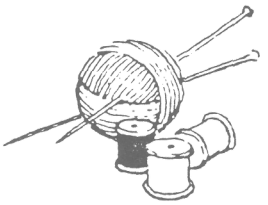

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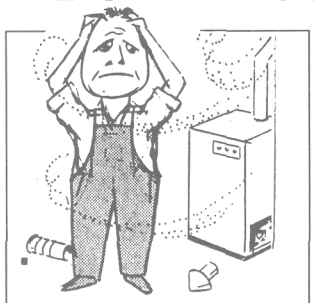

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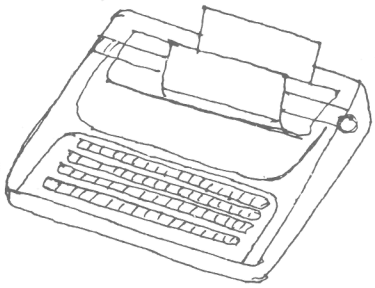

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Deddington WI December meeting was the occasion of our annual Christmas Party. This time, two of our members, Marie Smith and Vivian Bryant, volunteered to prepare our meal for us. We were treated to a wonderful array of delicious food, all beautiful y presented and served. The hall and tables looked festive and we knew that a great deal of hard work had gone into all that. It made for a happy and relaxed evening. We thank those clever ladies and very much hope that they will feel strong enough to do something similar next year. We rounded up the evening with carols chosen by members and our thanks to Betty Caporn for playing for us.

January meeting This took place on 10 January and started with a short business meeting. As it was a members' evening there was no special speaker, but Mrs Gregory read us a poem by Pam Ayres and Hazel Hall treated us to one of her 'Joyce Grenfell' performances, both of which we much enjoyed. The rest of the evening was taken up with an Auction in aid of our charity (this year Katherine House Hospice) when members donated and bid for unwanted Christmas presents. We made over £50, a record. Teas were served after this. Our next meeting will be on 14 February when Mr James Marmion will talk to us on his recent visit to China.

We now have room for a few more members, so visitors and new residents will be very welcome.

MARIANNE ELSLEY 38251

HOLLY TREE CLUB

Once again, off with the Old Year and on with the New. How quickly it's popping along already. Sadly, the year has started with the loss of Frank Drinkwater who died at the end of December. He will be missed by the Club. He supported us so well, as did Dorothy, his late wife. Please God they are now both at peace together. Mrs Florrie Hirons also died a few days later. She had attended the Club for many years prior to her inability to get out. Our deepest sympathy goes to Frank's relatives and neighbours who were a great help to him through the years since Dorothy's death; also to Mary and Lucy Bignold and relatives at the loss of Florrie. We all hope that Mary's troubles will end now and that she will be able to make a new start in peace and contentment.

As usual, our own Deddington Town Football Club played the Boxing Day match for us, and by collection from players, supporters, the Red Lion, and a donation from Club funds, a very useful sum of money was given to us, for which we are all most grateful. Our best wishes to them for the future. Well done boys! Your kind thoughts for us and all you do for us earns you our sincere gratitude. Many many thanks.

PEGGY BUSBY Hon Treas/Sec.

HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

On behalf of the HSA Committee, I hope you all enjoyed Christmas and the New Year, and the special visit made by Father Christmas to Deddington, Hempton and Clifton. A big thank you to all residents - we collected £136.61 for school funds. A full calendar of events is planned for 1989. On Friday 10 February We will be holding a Valentine's Dance at the Windmill Centre, dancing to 'Tamarind', that local, well-known, popular group. Tickets are selling well and at only £7.50 per couple, to include supper, they are good value. If you wish to buy tickets, please telephone Les or Sue Lane 38900. On Sunday 12 March we will be holding a Spring Crafts Fayre at the Primary School, 11.30 am - 4 pm. This promises to be a great event for everyone. A wide variety of crafts will be represented including split canework, embroidery, knitwear, woodturning, fibre-art handweaving, lace work, house plaques, bee products, dried flowers, gemstone jewellery, padded baskets, pot pourri, pottery and bric-a-brac. Make a note in your diary now for Sunday 12 March.

SUE LANE 38900

MY MILK ROUND 1949

When I was a lad, I delivered milk for Mr Bliss
  Seven days a week, no day was I to miss.
Didn't have any bottles, everyone had their own can.
  Who remembers Charlie Bliss ? he was a big fat man.

If you come along with me, we'll go out on our round
  And see how many people, still that can be found.
First old Mrs Sorrel who had evacuees
  Now let me think, next was the Bailey's.

His wife in the front room always in bed
  She looked awfully pale, I thought she was dead.
My arms now are aching, one finger, one can.
  Mr Bliss said "Be careful, now, there's a good man".

To Skidmores and Tyrrels and Mrs Smithin,
  It's started to snow, I think I'll give in.
Old Mr Vincent who always had skimmed,
  He didn't have cream, it gave him the wind.

Back to the priory, can't remember the name,
  Then under the archway over the main.
Now that was the first round. Who have I forgot ?
  We'd better get back for the next lot.

Off to Mrs Hancox for my weekly tip -
  How much do you think ? a halfpenny bit !
Now to the Police house - I better be bold,
  One Sgt Burton and old Fred Reynold

Now it's the Holcombe, not a hotel.
  For it was a Guest House, I knew it quite well.
A gallon of milk, it seemed such a lot.
  I expect at night the guests had it hot

What a relief - the heaviest round.
  Back to Goose Green I better be bound.
Next Mrs Hopcraft's and dog . what a bark !
    And old Tom Caulcott- now that was a lark.

Then to the parsons, I liked going there. Why ?
  Cos he had a daughter and her name was Joy.
Next Sally Hitchcock, right through the stile,
  That seemed a long way, it must be a mile.

Now we have journeyed, round on our way.
  But I haven't mentioned how much was the pay.
I did this milk round before going to school
And all that I got, was seven bob as a rule.

DON WALKER (Fritwell)

(Don Walker's father is Percy Walker of Hudson Street, Deddington. Eds)

C A L L I N G A L L C L U B S - Part 5

TENNIS CLUB

We're off and running (or is it volleying) into the '89 season. Your new committee has met, and is planning a full and exciting season. Now all we need is you, so ... Existing members will be getting their newsletter and joining forms shortly, and new members should contact Membership Secretary Graham Cheetham 38605 or Chairman Norman Drake 38240, for a form. The membership fees are: Juniors 9-15 years - £5; Intermediates 16-21 years - £10; Adult Single - £28; Adult Couple - £45; Family - £53. Look forward to hearing from you all.

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THE BEST AND WORST OF SCHOOL

At the end of last term, I asked my class of six and seven year-olds to write a critical evaluation of how they felt the term had gone, to include the best and worst bits, what they had learnt and what they would like to go on to learn. All the accounts were very interesting and most illuminating. The following are brief extracts taken from those accounts.

SALLY TAYLOR
Deddington Primary School

Next term I would like to be a junior, now I can read. STUART TOWNSEND

When I came to this school I was embarrassed. I wondered what my teacher looked like. GEMMA PIKE

I was scared when Mrs Monk left us. I was crying when I came to school. I wanted Mrs Monk. I couldn't do little letters before and now I can. AARON BLISS

When I had Miss Taylor at the beginning I felt worried if Miss Taylor would give me hard work. I can read big books now and I could not read big books last year. Next term I would like to write stories that can be put in our reading library. JOSIANNE CROSS

My worries at the beginning of term is Miss Taylor giving me hard maths. Next term I would like to go up to the pond. THOMAS GOWER

I was excited when I came back after the summer holidays to see my new teacher. I wondered who she was. When I got to school it was different. The best bit was singing. Now I can make more words and this is what I would like to do next term - keep on having dinners. NICOLA LANE

I couldn't climb trees right up to the top. I could climb trees a little bit. I can swing on a branch. IAN HORNE

My best bit of the term is when we made our mouse trap. My worse bit of the term is when my best friend bosses me about. NATHALIE DAVIDSON

My worse bit was when I heard that Lloyd left us. (Lloyd was a chicken hatched by the children last term.) My best bit was when daddy bought Katie (a new kitten). SOPHIE EVANS

Now I can do joined up letters and I have improved on my writing. My worst bit of term was when I couldn't mix a colour. I put a bit of black in and it just turned black. JOANNA BARLOW

This term I learnt to play recorders and I learnt how I drive a motorbike
ANDREW SPENCER

My worse bit of term was thinking I was going to forget my words in 'Mossops Last Chance'. Next term what I'd like to do is making things out of wood.
MICHELLE COLLEY

I was petrified by the thought of teaching infants for the first time, excluding teaching practice. How does one go about preparing work to keep a class of 24 bubbly, boisterous and competent 6 and 7 year olds in productive activities for more than 30 minutes? They provided the answers and in all honesty I can say I really enjoyed the previous term. SALLY TAYLOR, Teacher

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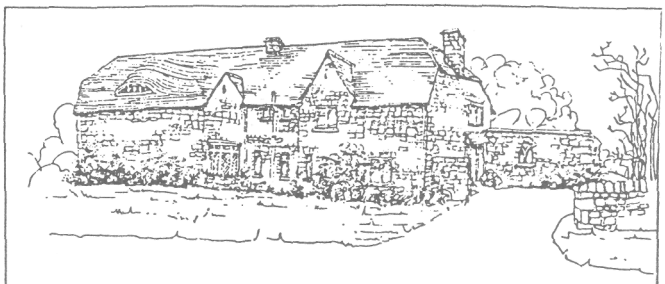

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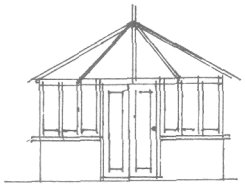

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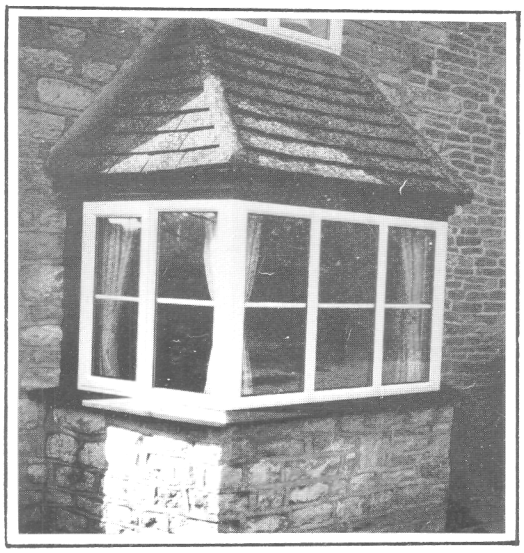

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